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MR. SPEAKER :—" The difficulty is we cannot have an evening session to-day because of the meeting of the Council."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" The Hon. Chief Minister told us that the Andhra State could decide on the question as they liked. But the new scheme is going to be introduced in the Andhra State also. The point is we must have enough time to discuss the whole matter. It is not a question of the new State discussing it or not. We shall discuss it there if it is to be introduced in the Andhra State. But as it is being introduced in the present composite State, we should discuss it in all seriousness."

MR. SPEAKER :—" We can have a full-dress debate in four hours. We can have the discussion up to 2 p.m. and prolong it up to 2-30 p.m. if necessary. Let us see."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" Sir, I am not pressing my motion. But with regard to the time, I am sorry I have to repeat my request."

Sri Kalyanasundaram's motion under rule 48 was withdrawn.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have allotted four hours for this debate. We may take ten or fifteen minutes more in the end. Now, we will go to the next item on the agenda."

III.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS.

(1) MOTION UNDER RULE 81 OF THE MADRAS ASSEMBLY RULES *re* SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PRESERVATION OF PRIVATE FORESTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 1953.

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Mr. Speaker, I move—

That leave of the House be granted in pursuance of sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Madras Assembly Rules, for increasing the composition of the Select Committee on the Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 23 of 1953), from 15 members to 16 members and that Sri Kunhi Muhamed Shafee be appointed a member of the Select Committee'."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That leave of the House be granted, in pursuance of sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Madras Assembly Rules, for increasing the composition of the Select Committee on the Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 23 of 1953), from 15 members to 16 members and that Sri Kunhi Muhamed Shafee be appointed a member of the Select Committee.' "

The motion was put and carried.

* THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Mr. Speaker, I move—

> ' *That leave of the House be granted for the Select Committee appointed to consider the Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill,* 1953 (*L.A. Bill No.* 23 *of* 1953), *to sit on a day to be fixed by the Chairman.*' "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question is—

' That leave of the House be granted for the Select Committee appointed to consider the Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill, 1953 (L.A. Bill No. 23 of 1953), to sit on a day to be fixed by the Chairman.' "

The motion was put and carried.

SRI K. GOVINDA RAO :—" Mr. Speaker, I have got to make a submission. There is an important clause in the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Second Amendment Bill, 1953, which is very important and which should be immediately passed into law. We do not know why the Government are going back."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Because they have no time, they have dropped it."

* THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It should be made clear on behalf of the Government that we were very anxious to get it through yesterday. But it is the demand of the Opposition that has delayed it."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" I am sorry the Hon. Chief Minister has said that the demand of the Opposition has postponed it. So far as we are concerned, I must point out we have not at all pressed for postponement. We only wanted to make some suggestions. We did not want to postpone it. We wanted to pass it into law because of clause 3 of the amending Bill."

* THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" We cannot have both the cake and the eating of it."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" Are we to understand that the Government have withdrawn the Bill? "

* THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The position is the Government were very anxious to get it through quickly even yesterday. But points had been raised which made it impossible to dispose of it yesterday. Now the question is to choose which to get through during the short time we have. If all

hon. Members want that the Bill should be taken up, I would have had no objection, otherwise I would be thoroughly misunderstood. I want the motion on the elementary education scheme to be taken up to-day and there is no time for the other Bill. But if hon. Members will give me a firm assurance that I shall not be misunderstood, the other Bill may be taken up. I do not think I shall escape the misunderstanding.''

MR. SPEAKER :—'' What has the Leader of the House to say? There are other resolutions to be moved by the Government.''

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—'' We have decided not to proceed with them. We will now take up the motion on the Elementary Education Scheme.''

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' The Government have decided to withdraw the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Second Amendment Bill, 1953.''

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—'' Government cannot withdraw the Bill on their own account. The House should give them permission to withdraw.'' 10-10 a.m.

MR. SPEAKER :—'' I would request hon. Members to follow the rules of the Assembly carefully. Under rule 22 of the Assembly Rules the Government can, if on any day they think it fit to do so, drop the Bill and can pass on to the next item of business.''

(Sri K. Venkaiah rose on a point of order.)

MR. SPEAKER :—'' When I am on my feet the hon. Member must give way.''

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—'' Showing of hands amounts to standing, Sir.''

SRI K. VENKAIAH :—'' Day before yesterday we discussed one non-official matter, I mean 'Assignment of lands to political sufferers'. It is not finished yet. To-day we are nearing the end of our session. By to-morrow the session may come to a close. Therefore in view of that subject being a very important one, I request you, Mr. Speaker, to allot one or two hours for discussion of the same to-day itself.''

MR. SPEAKER :—'' It will be continued on another non-official day.''

SRI K. VENKAIAH :—'' But the Government have not allotted any other non-official day for this session.''

MR. SPEAKER :—'' How can I compel them?

"We shall now take up the discussion of the new scheme of Elementary Education. The Hon. Minister may move his motion."

(2) MODIFIED SCHEME OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION.

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" Sir, I move—

'*That the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education be taken into consideration.*'"

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" On a point of order. As the arrangement stands at present, four hours have been allotted for discussion on this motion of which the Hon. Chief Minister has taken the lion's share by requesting that he might be allotted one hour for arguing his case and for reply. The Leaders of Parties might take two hours. Then it reduces the time-limit of the 300 and odd hon. Members who want to speak on this important subject. Every one has got something to say. They can talk only for a couple of minutes or so . . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I cannot help it. I shall take up the amendments one by one. Let the hon. Member concerned formally move it, and let it be formally seconded."

The following amendments were then moved and duly seconded :—

1. SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" *Add* the following at the end :—

'*and on such consideration, this Assembly recommends to the Government that the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education be dropped.*'"

2. SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" *Add* the following at the end :—

'*and on such consideration this Assembly recommends to the Government that the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education be dropped as it is without the sanction of the Legislature and is against the interest of the people at large.*'"

4. SRI M. LAKSHMANASWAMY :—" *Add* the following at the end :—

'*and on such consideration, this House disapproves of the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education.*'"

4. SRI M. LAKSHMANASWAMY :—*Add* the following at the end :—

'*Taking into consideration—*

(i) *the separation and formation of the new State;*